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Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)
	10/674,172	DE LAND ET AL.
	Examiner	Art Unit
	Robert W. Gibson, Jr.	3634

All Participants:

(1) Robert W. Gibson, Jr.

Status of Application: _____

(3) _____.

(2) Christopher Austin.

(4) _____.

Date of Interview: 5 November 2004

Time: 12:00

Type of Interview:

- Telephonic
 Video Conference
 Personal (Copy given to: Applicant Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: Yes No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

All

Claims discussed:

23-35 and 45-48

Prior art documents discussed:

Howard, Bastian et al

Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

- It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
 It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.



ROBERT W. GIBSON, JR.

PRIMARY EXAMINER

ART UNIT 3634

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed: Applicants' attorney, Mr. Austin, pointed out the various elements of applicants' claims, where the elements were shown in the present application's drawing figures, and how the references used against the claims in the prior art rejections are lacking in some of the elements recited. The examiner agreed to reconsider the rejections in view of these arguments, with the understanding that a further search and consideration may be required. No agreement as to patentability was given at this time. .